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July 14. 2009

Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street. SW
Washington. DC 20423

RE: Shannon Transport, Inc.

Abandonment Exemption in Clarion County

STB Docket No. AB1004 (X)

Dear Secretary:

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The right-of-way is part of a line of railroad proposed for Abandonment by Shannon Transport, LLC in STB Docket No. AB1004 (Sub-No. X).

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By my signature below, I certify service upon Shannon Transport, Inc representative Eric M. Hocky, Esquire.

Eric M. Hocky, Esquire 2005 Market St Suite 1910 Philadelphia, PA 19103

by U.S. Mail, postage pre-paid, first class, this 14th day of July, 2009. A check for the filing fee of \$450.00 is included.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald J. Steffey

on behalf of Allegheny Valley Land Trust

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